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Sent: 3/21/2016 9:13:23 PM
To: juanita.bacey@dtsc.ca.gov
Subject: FYI - Navy responses to FW: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

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-----Original Message-----

From: Robinson, Derek J CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO [mailto:derek.j.robinson1@navy.mil]
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2016 1:48 PM
To: LEE, LILY <LEE.LILY@EPA.GOV>
Subject: FW: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

As requested. Here is the latest set of question responses.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ostrowski, Kimberly A CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2016 8:12 AM
To: Macchiarella, Thomas L JR CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO; Robinson, Derek J CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO; Anderson, Scott D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO; Janda, Danielle L CIV NAVFAC SW
Subject: FW: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Final response below.

-----Original Message-----

From: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2016 6:56 AM
To: Ostrowski, Kimberly A CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Cc: Duchnak, Laura S CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO; Hellman, David H CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO; Lansdale, Lawrence L CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Subject: FW: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Kim, just sent our response to Wagner.

Glad we've got Rory on our side to help get us through the morass at NAVSEA. R, Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2016 6:51 AM
To: 'Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)'
Cc: 'Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal)'
Subject: RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Liz, sorry for the delay, our response is below; Q4 was paraphrased from your phone call on 1 Feb. R, Bill

Q1: Can you please tell us what sort of enforcement action, if any, the Navy has taken against contractor Tetra Tech after the company admitted it falsified soil sample data on Hunters Point?

A1: The Navy does not have authority to take an enforcement action. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is the government agency responsible for inspection, enforcement, and emergency response for nuclear materials. The Navy supports the NRC investigation actions. Questions regarding enforcement action by the NRC should be directed to Mr. Raymond Powell at 610-337-6967 with the NRC.

Q2: Has the Navy utilized a separate contractor to conduct third-party quality control for radiological work at Hunters Point?

A2: Yes, after identifying inconsistent data during an internal quality control review of soil samples collected by Tetra Tech, the Navy hired a contractor to provide third-party quality control for radiological work. This contract provides additional oversight ensuring that radiological work, site security, and waste handling procedures are implemented in accordance with relevant regulatory requirements and Navy work plans.

Q3: Also, please confirm the size and duration of the contracts awarded to Tetra Tech on Hunters Point from April 2014 to the present.

A3: At Hunters Point, three contracts were awarded to Tetra Tech in 2014 totaling approximately \$10.19M. The contract durations are 17, 18 months and three years. No contracts have been awarded to Tetra Tech at Hunters point since 2014.

Q4: Why won't the Navy let Tetra Tech respond to our request for an interview?

A4: The contract company is not in the position to speak on behalf of the government or respond to media inquiry for work on behalf of the government.

-----Original Message-----

From: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Sent: Wednesday, March 02, 2016 3:11 PM
To: 'Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)'
Cc: 'Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal)'
Subject: RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Liz, sorry, we can't make your deadline today. I should have our response to you by Thursday though. R, Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Sent: Monday, February 29, 2016 6:06 AM
To: 'Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)'
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal)
Subject: RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Liz, I'll get back to you. R, Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal) [mailto:Elizabeth.Wagner@nbcuni.com]
Sent: Friday, February 26, 2016 5:40 PM
To: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal); Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Bill,

Can you please tell us what sort of enforcement action, if any, the Navy has taken against contractor Tetra Tech after the company admitted it falsified soil sample data on Hunters Point?

Has the Navy utilized a separate contractor to conduct third-party quality control for radiological work at Hunters Point?

Also, please confirm the size and duration of the contracts awarded to Tetra Tech on Hunters Point from April 2014 to the present.

We are under deadline and need a response by COB Wednesday, March 2.

Our request for an on-camera interview stands.

Thank you,

Liz Wagner

-----Original Message-----

From: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO [mailto:william.d.franklin@navy.mil]
Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 10:21 AM
To: Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal)
Subject: RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Hello Liz, just following up with an email to the message I left on your phone earlier.

Our policy is that we respond to written questions. This is due to workload limitations, the complex nature of environmental cleanup/restoration and the potential misinterpretation of facts and concepts provided during an interview-see attached. If you would like to forward your questions we'd be happy to provide a written response. Please understand, many of our staff are out of the office due to the holiday season, so our response may be delayed. When sending your questions please include a deadline and we'll do our best to respond as quickly as possible.

Sorry I didn't respond sooner; was on vacation and have been catching up on other taskers.

R, Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal) [mailto:Elizabeth.Wagner@nbcuni.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2015 3:22 PM

To: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal); Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Mr. Franklin,

The purpose of this email is to again request an interview with the Navy to discuss the cleanup of the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard. NBC Bay Area News would like to provide the Navy with the opportunity to respond to claims by a former soil sample collector on the Hunters Point site.

Anthony Smith claims he was instructed by Navy contractor Tetra Tech to submit fraudulent soil samples and data during the remediation of the shipyard.

Please call me to discuss this in further detail. My cell phone number is (408) 483-2084.

Emails and phone calls to Tetra Tech have gone unanswered. We are attempting to provide both Tetra Tech and the Navy the opportunity to respond to Mr. Smith's claims.

Please see our previous reports about the Hunters Point cleanup. All of our interview requests have been declined. Doesn't the Navy want to be accountable to taxpayers footing the bill for the cleanup, and to the past, current and future residents of Hunters Point?

Liz Wagner

<http://www.nbcbayarea.com/investigations/Regulators-Question-Hunters-Point-Radiation-Testing-303530541.html>
<http://www.nbcbayarea.com/investigations/Contractor-Submitted-False-Radiation-Data-at-Hunters-Point-279025911.html>
<http://www.nbcbayarea.com/investigations/Former-Contractors-Claim-Hunters-Point-Cleanup-is-Botched-259871511.html>
<http://www.nbcbayarea.com/investigations/Workers-Allege-Hunters-Point-Dirt-Needs-to-be-Screened-for-Radiation-247689791.html>

-----Original Message-----

From: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO [mailto:william.d.franklin@navy.mil]
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 2:37 PM
To: Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal); Ault, Melanie A CIV NAVFACHQ, BRAC PMO
Subject: RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Liz, our POC during the meeting will be Mr. Scott Anderson; please ask for him at the welcome desk. R, Bill

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From: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 2:34 PM
To: 'Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)'
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal); Ault, Melanie A CIV NAVFACHQ, BRAC PMO
Subject: RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Hello Liz, Bill Franklin here. I was recently hired as the BRAC Program, Public Affairs Officer. I'm responding back to your request from Monday afternoon.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to offer you an interview. However, if you email me your questions, we would be happy to respond back in writing. Please bear in mind, it may take us a little longer than usual since the holiday season is upon us, but we will respond.

You are certainly welcome to attend the public meeting on 2 Dec. to capture b-roll and interview the public. I will not be able to attend but will provide you a point of contact who will be at the meeting.

If you do attend the meeting, or others in the future I'd ask that you, and your folks abide by the following ground rules:

1. Check in at the welcome desk to be identified as a media rep.
2. Videotaping is acceptable in the following scenarios provided there are no disruptions.
 - a. General public meeting presentations, along with Q&A between attendees and Navy reps.
 - b. If it's an open-house style meeting (poster stations), citizens speaking with Navy reps.
 - c. Interviews with citizens at the meeting are allowed, just step to the side so not to block traffic flow.
 - d. Orient your gear so not to block foot traffic at an open-house meeting, or block aisle ways or someone's view at a general meeting.
3. Be professional.

I'm copying my POC (Melanie Ault); she will coordinate our response while I'm out, so if you email questions please copy her-melanie.ault@navy.mil.

If you need anything else please let me know.

R, Bill Franklin
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-----Original Message-----

From: Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal) [mailto:Elizabeth.Wagner@nbcuni.com]
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 4:44 PM
To: Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal); Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Hi Bill,

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We would like to conduct the interview right before the Hunters Point Shipyard Community Meeting on Dec. 2.

Please call me to discuss. (408) 483-2084.

Best,

Liz Wagner

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From: Saunders, Lee H CIV NAVFAC SW [mailto:lee.saunders@navy.mil]
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 4:36 PM
To: Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal); Franklin, William D CIV NAVFAC HQ, BRAC PMO
Subject: RE: NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Hi Liz,

William (Bill) Franklin is the new BRAC public affairs officer. You can contact Bill for media quires and interview requests about BRAC facilities such as the former Hunters Point Naval Shipyard and the former Naval Station Treasure island.

You can reach Bill at email address william.d.franklin@navy.mil and phone number (619) 524-5433.

Sincerely,

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From: Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal) [mailto:Elizabeth.Wagner@nbcuni.com]
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2015 11:36 AM
To: Saunders, Lee H CIV NAVFAC SW
Cc: Nguyen, Vicky (NBCUniversal); Wagner, Elizabeth (NBCUniversal)
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] NBC Bay Area News - Interview Request

Hi Lee,

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